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International Collaboration Pushes the Local Marina Industry Forward

Bellingham Marine representatives travel to the U.S. to see what leading marina developers and designers are building. The goal – spread good ideas and foster innovative thinking across Australasia.

Brisbane, QLD, Australia – 17 May 2018 – Local marina expert, [Bellingham Marine](#), is fueling competitiveness and innovation with a recent tour of prominent U.S. marinas. Management from the company's Australia, China and New Zealand divisions travelled to the U.S. to tour some of the States' top marina properties. During their time in the U.S., the team also met with a group of 30 senior industry leaders from around the world.

Bellingham CEO and President, Everett Babbitt, says, "The future of the industry depends on nurturing international collaboration. We want to ensure customers worldwide have access to the latest and greatest in marina design."

"Collaboration has the power to spark innovation. Everyone brings unique knowledge and skills to the table," shared [John Spragg](#), Bellingham Marine President of Australasia and the Middle East. "Connecting our international teams ensures cross-pollination of the latest trends and developments."

Spragg added, "The group discussed at length how to best design for and respond to catastrophic weather events. From cyclones to tsunamis, we need to make sure our customers have a marina that will withstand the forces of nature."

The group embarked on an expansive tour of marinas in both California and Florida, two top markets for boating in the United States. Stops included the recently completed 1,624 berth [Alamitos Bay Marina](#) in Long Beach, California, the largest municipal marina in the nation. The group also visited notable marinas in Florida, including the renowned [Rybovich superyacht facility](#) in West Palm Beach and the exclusive marina at [Ocean Reef Club](#) in Key Largo.

"The superyacht industry has been growing steadily in Australia for years. Bellingham Marine is the global leader in designing marinas that cater to these luxury vessels," said Spragg. "Having designed

facilities from Italy to Abu Dhabi, our international team understands the unique requirements and desired amenities that lure in the most exclusive superyachts from around the world.”

The visit wasn't all work for the team, who were able to indulge in some uniquely American experiences. The group did some shopping at an outlet mall and visited a local gun range. The highlight was an Everglades airboat tour. Airboats are flat-bottomed boats propelled by an aircraft-type propeller and are synonymous with the Florida Everglades experience.

Bellingham Marine has offices in Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Auckland and Zhongshan City, China. Sales staff stand ready to provide premier marina design services to customers in the region. Contact them today to take advantage of their extensive knowledge and experience in pontoon design.

As the world's leading marina design-build construction company, Bellingham Marine specialises in pontoon, floating platform and floating breakwaters for marinas worldwide. The company also produces dry storage systems for the upland storage of boats.

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